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The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ROGERS of Kentucky).

DESIGNATION OF SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

December 20, 2017.

I hereby appoint the Honorable HAROLD ROGERS to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

PAUL D. RYAN,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

MORNING-HOUR DEBATE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the order of the House of January 3, 2017, the Chair will now recognize Members from lists submitted by the majority and minority leaders for morning-hour debate.

The Chair will alternate recognition between the parties. All time shall be equally allocated between the parties, and in no event shall debate continue beyond 9:50 a.m. Each Member, other than the majority and minority leaders and the minority whip, shall be limited to 5 minutes.

HONORING THE LIFE OF JOHN B. ANDERSON

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. KINZINGER) for 5 minutes.

Mr. KINZINGER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the life and legacy of the Honorable John B. Anderson and pay tribute to a man who inspired many to serve.

On December 3, 2017, John Anderson passed away at the age of 95. In mourning his death, I send my condolences to his wife, Keke, and the entire Anderson family.

A native of Rockford, Illinois, John Anderson attended Rockford Central High School and graduated from the University of Illinois in 1939. Before representing Illinois' 16th District in the House of Representatives, the district that I now proudly represent, John Anderson answered the call to serve as a staff sergeant in the United States Army.

He left law school in 1943 to enlist, and bravely served his country through the end of World War II. A decorated war veteran, John Anderson was honored with four battle stars for valor in combat.

Upon returning home to Rockford, John finished his law degree at the University of Illinois, and then went to Harvard to earn his master of laws degree. A few years later, he joined the Foreign Service and worked in Germany for the United States High Commissioner.

After returning home to Rockford, he was elected as Winnebago County State's Attorney in 1956. Shortly after, he joined the primary race for Congress and went on to win the House seat in 1960.

For 10 terms, John Anderson represented the 16th Congressional District of Illinois. He was on the powerful Rules Committee and held firm to his fiscally conservative values. He believed in a smaller and more accountable government, and he wasn't afraid to speak up for it.

His servant leadership and love of country earned him the chairmanship of the House Republican Conference, ranking third in House leadership. This esteemed position eventually led to his run for President.

John Anderson believed that his job was worth giving up in order to set a better example of realism in politics. As a community and as a country, we are better for his candor, his focus, and his honesty.

To this day, John's pragmatic approach and self-awareness continue to

inspire many and greatly impact my service here in Congress.

Mr. Speaker, John Anderson dedicated his life to serving our Rockford community and this great Nation, and he served us proudly. After his political career, he continued to serve by becoming a visiting professor at several universities across the country.

On behalf of the 16th Congressional District of Illinois, we salute the service of our fallen leader, friend, neighbor, and dedicated civil servant. It is my hope that his legacy will continue to inspire generations to come and that his impact will never be forgotten.

REPORT ON RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF SENATE AMENDMENT TO H.R. 1, TAX CUTS AND JOBS ACT

Mr. SESSIONS, from the Committee on Rules, submitted a privileged report (Rept. No. 115-476) on the resolution (H. Res. 668) providing for consideration of the Senate amendment to the bill (H.R. 1) to provide for reconciliation pursuant to titles II and V of the concurrent resolution on the budget for fiscal year 2018, which was referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed.

REMEMBER OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair recognizes the gentleman from Pennsylvania (Mr. THOMPSON) for 5 minutes.

Mr. THOMPSON of Pennsylvania. Mr. Speaker, as individuals across the country travel near and far to be with loved ones this holiday season, I ask that we remember our military personnel who will not be surrounded by family and friends this Christmas. Instead, our military men and women

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